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SUBJECT: STR VISIT TO JAPAN

REF: (A) TOKYO 4475 (B) PIEZ-BARRACLOUGH TELECON APRIL 1, 1977

1. MOFA STILL WORKING ON APPOINTMENTS. SINCE DIET IS IN SESSION PM'S SCHEDULE WILL HAVE TO REMAIN FLEXIBLE BUT TIME WITH HIM WILL BE FOUND. MOFA SUGGEST STRAUSS ALSO CALL ON AGRICULTURE MINISTER.

2. WE HAVE LEARNED FROM BOTH MITI AND MOFA SOURCES THAT PM HAS DESIGNATED MITI VICE MINISTER FOR INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS MASUDA AS SENIOR GOJ OFFICIAL FOR TV NEGOTIATIONS. ON OTHER MATTERS, HOWEVER, WE BELIEVE MOFA VICE MINISTER YOSHINO WILL BE KEY FIGURE.

2. APPRECIATE REVISED PRESS GUIDANCE ON REF B. USIS HAS RECEIVED REQUEST FROM JAPAN PRESS CLUB FOR STR TO GIVE BRIEF TALK AND ANSWER QUESTIONS AT WORKING LUNCH AT NATIONAL PRESS CENTER EITHER THURSDAY OR FRIDAY, BOTH JAPANESE AND FOREIGN PRESS WOULD ATTEND AND EVENT WOULD BE TAPED FOR NATIONAL TV NEWSCASTS. NATIONAL PUBLIC TV NETWORK (NHK) HAS ALSO REQUESTED THAT STR APPEAR ON TAPED INTERVIEW FOR BROADCAST ON NATION-WIDE TV AT PRIME TIME SUNDAY

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EVENING. IF STR BELIEVES PUBLIC EXPLICATION OF US TRADE POLICIES IS DESIRABLE DURING HIS VISIT, WE RECOMMEND PRESS CLUB WORKING LUNCHEON AS OFFERING GREATEST EXPOSURE. NHK TAPED INTERVIEW FORMAT WOULD ALSO REACH A LARGE AUDIENCE UNDER MORE CONTROLLED CONDITIONS.

4. FOREIGN OFFICE WOULD LIKE TO GIVE A DINNER ON THURSDAY WITH 8-10 ON JAPANESE SIDE FROM ALL RELEVANT MINISTRIES. WE HAVE URGED JAPANESE TO KEEP GUEST LISTS AT MINIMUM SIZE. MITI HAS ALSO EXTENDED INVITATION FOR SMALL DINNER WITH EITHER MITI MINISTER OR MASUDA ON FRIDAY EVENING. DINNER COULD BE EITHER JAPANESE OR WESTERN STYLE.

5. AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IN JAPAN HAS REQUESTED STR MEET WITH ITS EXECUTIVE BOARD AT BREAKFAST ON THURSDAY OR FRIDAY.

6. REQUEST REPLY CONVEYING YOUR WISHES.  
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